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In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1 - 4 as follows:

1. (Amended) A white film having a thickness of from 10 to 500 μm , comprising a crystallizable thermoplastic polyester polymer, at least one titanium dioxide of the rutile type that is oxidically coated, and at least one optical brightener; wherein the titanium dioxide and the optical brightener are provided in the form of at least one masterbatch.
2. (Amended) The white film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the film comprises a crystallizable thermoplastic polyester polymer selected from the group consisting of polyethylene terephthalate, polybutylene terephthalate and polyethylene naphthalate.
3. (Amended) The white film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the titanium dioxide is present between 0.3 and 25% by weight, based on the weight of the crystallizable thermoplastic polyester polymer.
4. (Amended) The white film as claimed in claim 1, wherein, based on the weight of the crystallizable thermoplastic polyester polymer, the optical brightener is present from 10 to 50,000 ppm.

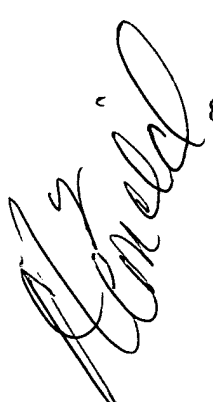
Please amend claims 6 - 11 as follows:

6. (Amended) The white film according to claim 1, further comprising a polyester-soluble blue dye.
7. (Amended) The white film as claimed in claim 1, wherein said titanium dioxide has a composition that is at least 95% by weight rutile, and wherein said titanium dioxide exists

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as titanium dioxide particles having an average particle size of from 0.10 to 0.30 μm , where the particle size is determined using a Sedigraph method.

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8. (Amended) The white film as claimed in claim 7, wherein the titanium dioxide particles having the oxidic coating consisting of inorganic oxide(s) or of organic compound(s) or of inorganic oxide(s) and of organic compound(s), and wherein the coating comprises from 1 to 12 g of inorganic oxide(s) or from 0.5 to 3 g of organic compound(s), or from 1 to 12 g of inorganic oxide(s) and from 0.5 to 3 g of organic compound(s) based on 100 g of titanium dioxide particles.
9. (Amended) The white film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the film has a whiteness that is 85% and a Yellowness Index that is 40.
10. (Amended) The white film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the film has one or more layers, and wherein said layers consist of a core layer and at least one outer layer.
11. (Amended) The white film as claimed in claim 10, wherein the titanium dioxide and the optical brightener are present in the core layer.

Claims 12 and 13 are cancelled.

Please add new claims 14 and 15.

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14. The white film as claimed in claim 5, wherein the polyester-soluble blue dye is selected from the group consisting of cobalt blue, ultramarine blue, anthraquinone dyes and combinations thereof, and wherein said polyester-soluble blue dye is present from 10 to 10,000 ppm, based on the weight of the crystallizable thermoplastic polyester polymer.